

Maine Revised Statutes
Title 12: CONSERVATION
Chapter 220: BUREAU OF PARKS AND PUBLIC LANDS

§1804. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE DIRECTOR

The director shall exercise the powers of the bureau and is responsible for the execution of its duties. The director, when appointed or while in office, may not be directly or indirectly concerned in the acquisition of any interest in land owned by the State or any of its political subdivisions except in an official capacity. In exercising powers and duties, the director shall: [1997, c. 678, §13 (NEW); 2011, c. 657, Pt. W, §7 (REV); 2013, c. 405, Pt. A, §24 (REV).]

1. Administration. Administer the bureau and adopt methods of administration that are determined necessary to render the office efficient;

[1997, c. 678, §13 (NEW); 2011, c. 657, Pt. W, §7 (REV); 2013, c. 405, Pt. A, §24 (REV) .]

2. Classification of lands. Set apart and classify as parks or historic sites within the meaning of this chapter areas of land in this State including improvements or other structures thereon, title to which has been acquired under lawful authority. The provisions of subchapter II apply specifically to lands classified as state parks or historic sites.

The director shall set apart and classify as public reserved lands or nonreserved public lands within the meaning of this chapter areas of land in this State, including improvements or other structures thereon, title to which has been acquired under lawful authority. The provisions of subchapters III and IV apply specifically to lands classified as public reserved lands or nonreserved public lands;

[1997, c. 678, §13 (NEW) .]

3. Acceptance of funds. Accept donations, gifts, grants and bequests of money or other personal property to be used in advancing recreational, educational, conservation, land acquisition and land management purposes in state parks, historic sites, submerged and intertidal lands, public reserved lands and nonreserved public lands. All money received from donations, gifts, bequests and grants must be deposited in nonlapsing, dedicated accounts according to the specified purposes and intents of the donors or grantors. The funds are subject to allocation by the Legislature;

[1997, c. 678, §13 (NEW) .]

4. Surplus property. Sell storehouses and other structures and fixtures that are surplus to the needs of the bureau;

[2001, c. 604, §4 (AMD); 2011, c. 657, Pt. W, §7 (REV); 2013, c. 405, Pt. A, §24 (REV) .]

5. Bureau budget. Prepare and submit to the commissioner the budget for the bureau; and

[2001, c. 604, §4 (AMD); 2011, c. 657, Pt. W, §7 (REV); 2013, c. 405, Pt. A, §24 (REV) .]

6. Restrictions on public access. Post notice of any restrictions to public access at points commonly used to access the land or at a facility or structure where such rules and notices are regularly posted. The director may restrict public access to any portion of the land or waters within the bureau's jurisdiction when the restrictions reasonably relate to protecting public health, safety or welfare or the economic interests or natural resources of the State.

[2001, c. 604, §5 (NEW); 2011, c. 657, Pt. W, §7 (REV); 2013, c. 405, Pt. A, §24 (REV) .]

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